

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

### To An Old Valentine.

Long years ago, when I was only nine,  
Some one sent me the sweetest valentine.  
A sheet of gold-laced paper, with a heart  
That trailed red drops where Cupid fixed  
his dart;  
Forget-me-nots grouped in a wreath of  
blue,  
And underneath, "Love me, as I love  
you";  
While on the inner page, writ small and  
fine,  
"You are my only, only valentine."  
To-day the card is left me at the door,  
A stack of tokens, quite a goodly score—  
Chocolates from New York, bonbons from  
Boston;  
A dainty fan, with Cupids painted on.  
One sent white roses, "Love he dared not  
speak";  
And one sent red, "To blush beside my  
cheek";  
But, ah, not one spoke to this heart of  
mine  
As did by olden, golden valentine.

I take it from its secret hiding place,  
Bright as the day it came; time left no  
trace  
Upon its words of love and brilliant hue;  
I read again, "Love me—as I love you."  
How well does memory bring me back  
the day  
I saw him ring the bell and run away.  
My fingers trembled o'er the opening  
them;  
My heart has never beat like that again.

Old-fashioned love, old-fashioned valen-  
tine,  
Long lost from out this fickle world of  
mine;  
Lying beneath the February snow;  
Have you forgot our love of long ago?  
To dreams I have kept faith, to shadows  
of the day.

For even as you loved me, loved I you;  
And so I whisper back these words of  
thine,  
"You are my only, only valentine."  
ISABEL S. MASON.  
Clearspring, Md.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

#### Miss Dunlop's Engagement.

Mrs. James N. Dunlop announces the  
engagement of her daughter, Anne Bert  
Dunlop, to Mr. Thomas Walter Gilmer.  
Mr. Gilmer, who is a member of the  
Virginia family of that name and a  
grandson of former Governor Thomas  
Walker Gilmer, of this State, now lives  
in Atlanta, Ga. The wedding will take  
place March the tenth.

#### Ashcraft—St. Albans.

One of the prettiest weddings of the  
season took place on Thursday last, at  
"Andersons," near Baltimore. The con-  
tracting parties were Miss Camille St.  
Albans, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
Laurence Arnold St. Albans, and Mr. C.  
W. Ashcraft, a prominent business man  
of San Francisco, Cal.

The parlors and drawing room of the  
St. Albans' home were decorated in  
roses and palms, the stairway being  
wreathed with southern smilax and pink  
sweet-peas. Shaded chandeliers threw a  
rosy glow over the scene. The strains  
of Wagner's wedding march echoed  
through the rooms as the bridal party  
advanced up the long aisle of carnations  
and roses to an altar of ferns and palms,  
at the further end of the library.

The bridesmaids were Misses Sydney  
Wilson and Annette Cutting, of Albany,  
N. Y., in pink chiffon over silver tissue,  
large picture hats to match, carrying  
white carnations; Misses Mary Sexton  
and Florence Lynwood, of Madison, Wis.,  
in pale blue chiffon over silver tissue,  
large picture hats to match and white  
roses; and Miss Margarette Sutherland,  
of London, as maid of honor, in white  
green chiffon over gold tissue, large  
picture hat to match, carrying white  
violets. Little Miss Marie Canby, of  
Tallahassee, as flower bearer, wore lav-  
ender gauze over gold tissue. Little Lau-  
rence Ashcraft was ring-bearer.

The bride, who came in with her father,  
and was given away by him, was clad  
in a beautiful and costly gown of rich  
white Parisian velvet over white chiffon  
tulle, in train, trimmed with diamond  
ornaments, designed to represent lilies  
of the valley, and carried a shower bouquet  
of lilies of the valley. Her long tulle  
veil was caught up with lilies of the  
valley and she wore a diamond necklace,  
a gift of the groom.

The best man was Mr. Robert Allen,  
of Richmond, and the ushers were Messrs.  
Ronald and R. Turner Pearce, of San  
Francisco; Messrs. Laurence Pendleton  
and L. O. Chauncey, of St. Louis, Mo.

The beautiful ceremony of the Epis-  
copal Church was read, Rev. Lee Abbott  
officiating.

After the marriage an elaborate supper  
was served and the happy couple left for  
Palm Beach, Fla. They will make their  
home for a short time in San Francisco.  
Mrs. Ashcraft is a girl of charming  
manner, strikingly beautiful, and is the  
only daughter of the wealthy Mr. and  
Mrs. St. Albans, now of Baltimore, but  
formerly of London. Mr. Ashcraft is a  
promising business man of San Fran-  
cisco, Cal.

#### Scott—Wright.

The wedding of Miss Janie Louise  
Wright to Mr. Waverly R. Scott was  
celebrated Wednesday evening in the  
home of the bride's mother, Mrs. C. L.  
Wright, of No. 92 West Cary Street,  
the Rev. Dr. Ryland Knight, of Cavalry  
Baptist Church, officiating.

The floral decorations were in palms  
and roses. Mr. Burke Slaughter ren-  
dered the bridal chorus from Lohengrin.  
The bride wore a traveling gown and hat

and carried lilies of the valley. She came  
in with her mother, Mrs. Charles  
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net over silk and had a bouquet of  
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## THE COHEN COMPANY

### Great Special Sale

### of All Our Remnants

This will be our great Midwinter Sale of Remnants.  
Here's a sample of the prices:

\$1.19 yard Wide Black Taffeta, rustling or chiffon finish, 75c.	75c to \$1 All-Over Embroideries, 50c.
\$1 All-Wool Grey Vellie, 44 inches wide, 20c.	25c to 30c Spangled Drop Orn- aments, 5c each.
15c to 25c Imported Cotton Dress Fabrics, 8c a yard.	Women's Seamless, Fast Color Stockings, 9c.
English Long Cloth, 60c a piece of 12 yards.	\$1.50 to \$2 Umbrellas, 98c.
Yard wide Irish Waist Linen, 19c a yard.	\$8 to \$12 Silk Waists, \$4.75.
German Torchon Lace, 2 to 3 inches wide, 7c.	Infants' \$1 Silk Caps, 20c.
	And so forth hundreds of other equ- ally good items.

### Poems You Ought to Know.

Whatever your occupation may be, and however crowded your  
hours with affairs, do not fail to secure at least a few minutes every  
day for refreshment of your inner life with a bit of poetry.—Prof.  
Charles Elliot Norton.

No. 740.

### A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

By ELIZABETH BARRETT BROWNING.

Other selections from this author, his portrait, autograph and biographical sketch,  
have already been printed in this series.

According to Greek mythology, Pan was the inventor of the shepherd's flute, hence  
called Pan's pipes. He was represented with the head and body of an elderly man,  
and the lower extremities of a goat. He was the god of pastures, forests and flocks. He  
is often depicted in the act of teaching Apollo to play the pipe.

**W**HAT was he doing, the great god Pan,  
Down in the reeds by the river?  
Spreading ruin and scattering ban,  
Splashing and paddling with hoofs of a goat,  
And breaking the golden lilies afloat  
With the dragon-fly on the river.

He tore out a reed, the great god Pan,  
From the deep cool bed of the river;  
The lily laid low, he tore it away,  
And the broken lilies a-dying lay,  
And the dragon-fly had fled away,  
Ere he brought it out of the river.

High on the shore sat the great god Pan,  
While turbidly flowed the river;  
And hacked and hewed as a great god can,  
With his hard bleak steel at the patient reed,  
Till there was not a sign of a leaf indeed  
To prove it fresh from the river.

He cut it short, did the great god Pan,  
(How tall it stood in the river!)  
Then drew the pith, like the heart of a man,  
Steadily from the outside ring,  
And notched the poor dry empty thing  
In holes, as he sat by the river.

"This is the way," laughed the great god Pan,  
(Laughed while he sat by the river)  
"The only way, since gods began  
To make sweet music, they could succeed."  
Then, dropping his mouth to a hole in the reed,  
He blew in power by the river.

Sweet, sweet, sweet, O Pan!  
Piercing sweet by the river!  
Blowing sweet, O great god Pan!  
The sun on the hill forget to die,  
And the lilies revived, and the dragon-fly  
Came back to dream on the river.

Yet half a beast is the great god Pan,  
To laugh as he sits by the river,  
Making a poet out of a man:  
The true gods sigh for the cost and pain—  
For the reed which grows nevermore again  
As a reed with the reeds in the river.

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**OF GENERAL INTEREST.**

**Mr. Cabell Returned.**

Mr. James Branch Cabell returned to  
Richmond yesterday from a visit of several  
days to Washington, D. C.

His invitation of the President and Mrs.

pleasure of making her acquaintance.  
Miss Pearl Bodker has called a meet-  
ing of the officers, chairmen and alter-  
nates of the Floral Carnival at eleven  
o'clock this morning, in the Woman's  
Christian Association building.

#### Powell Memorial to Meet.

The Powell Memorial Association will  
meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock, in the  
old Powell school-room, at No. 3 East  
Grace Street. Important business will  
be transacted and all members of the  
association are urged to attend.

A unique church social will be given  
by the primary teachers of Grace Epis-  
copal Sunday-school, Friday evening,  
February 16th. The entertainment will  
be Shakespearean in character; yet not  
dramatic. Members of the congregation  
will receive invitations, but all their  
friends will be cordially welcomed. There  
will be no door fee.

#### Valentine Tea.

The ladies of Holy Comforter Episcopal  
Church will give a Valentine tea for  
children and grown people in the Sunday  
school room of the church Monday night,  
February 12th, at 8:30 o'clock. A silver  
offering will be taken at the door.

At the meeting of the Kate Wheelock  
Whist Club this week, Mrs. Riddick and  
Miss Smith made the highest score, north  
and south; and Mrs. J. Willard Craig and  
Mrs. D. N. Williams, east and west.

#### Delightful Dance.

A delightful dance was given last Fri-  
day night at the home of Mrs. Miller, in  
Clatterbush. Quite a number went out  
from Richmond, and greatly enjoyed  
themselves, in spite of the bitter weath-  
er. At 12 o'clock refreshments were  
served, after which dancing was re-  
sumed and continued until an early hour.

Miss Katharine Copeland, who is the guest  
relative in Suffolk, was the visiting  
honoree at an enjoyable chaffin-dish  
party, given Tuesday evening by Miss  
Elizabeth Baker. Those present were  
Misses Copeland, Nell Jordan and Mary  
Judith Smith, and Messrs. Sam Burgess,  
Fred Temple and Joseph Winstead.

#### Academy Box Party.

One of the pleasantest box parties to  
the February festival of the Richmond  
Choral Society at the Academy last eve-  
ning was one from the Woman's Col-  
lege, given by Dr. and Mrs. Melville A.  
Martin.

Young ladies in the party were Miss  
Nora Willis, Misses Bessie and Daisy  
Wilson, Mrs. Sparks Melton, Miss Myra  
Ackiss, Miss Lavinia Dudley, Miss Evelyn  
Marlin, Miss Myrtle Dodson, Miss Mary  
Pitts, Miss Della Dudley, Miss Maude  
Fickett, Miss Irma Allen and Miss Mary  
Taylor.

#### Personal Mention.

Miss Louise Carter Talbot, of this  
city, is the guest of Mrs. John R. Tal-  
ferro, in Washington.

Mr. G. B. Boulware, of Fredericksburg,  
has come to Richmond to engage in busi-  
ness.

Mr. and Mrs. Whiting were registered  
at the Bartholdi in New York on Febru-  
ary 5th.

Miss Lillian Green has returned to Nor-  
folk, after a visit to Miss Lucy Meade.

Miss Gladys Frazier is the guest of her  
aunt, Mrs. W. P. Tams, in Staunton.

The Lynchburg Camp of the Patriotic  
Sons of America will celebrate Washing-  
ton birthday with a suitable programme.  
Several State officers have promised to  
come and the relations and songs will  
be highly enjoyable.

Miss Ruby Thomas is the guest of Miss  
Louise French, in Newport News.

Mrs. Striffling Marshall entertained the  
Kalmazoo Whist Club, of Portsmouth,  
Tuesday afternoon. Smilax and pink car-  
nations made effective decorations. Among  
the guests was Miss Mary Barraud, of  
this city.

Mrs. Horace Hawes, who has been  
the guest of her sister, Mrs. Tazewell  
Taylor, in Norfolk, has returned to the  
city.

The musical clubs of the University of  
Virginia will give a concert in Lynchburg  
Saturday for the benefit of the Lynchburg  
Boat Club.

Mr. W. C. Glenn, of Staunton, is in  
the city on business.

The J. E. B. Stuart Chapter, Daughters  
of the Confederacy, at Staunton, will give  
a concert on Friday evening, February 9th,  
from four to ten o'clock. An attractive  
programme and a bountiful supper will  
make the evening enjoyable.

Mrs. H. B. Lane, of Fredericksburg, en-  
tertained at bridge on Monday evening.  
Those present were J. T. Goodrich, Mrs.  
J. B. Ficklen, Mrs. M. M. Lewis, Miss  
Lizzie Kelly, Miss Julia Hall, Mrs. H. H.  
Johnston, Miss Mary Thompson, Mrs. E.  
J. Smith.

Mrs. John King of Suffolk, was hostess  
at an elaborate pre-nuptial breakfast  
Wednesday, given in honor of Miss Kate  
Riddick Ashburn and Mr. Frederick Per-  
cy Rawlings, whose marriage took place  
at noon of the same day. Her guests in-  
cluded the members of the bridal party  
and a few other friends.

Hon. A. C. Gordon, of Staunton, is in  
the city.

Professor Ormond Stone has returned  
to the University after a short visit to  
Richmond.

Miss Daisy Ryan, of Newport News, is  
visiting relatives here.

Mr. S. Olds, of this city, who is known  
as the "human top," skated marvelously  
well last night at the Armory Hall in  
Norfolk.

A committee from the Petersburg King's  
Daughters, composed of Mrs. R. W.  
Price, Mrs. J. J. Lawrence, Mrs. Frank  
Scott, will come to Richmond to-day to  
appear before the Legislature and ask for  
a large appropriation for a home for  
weak-minded boys and girls.

Miss Evelyn Gordon is the guest of Mrs.  
William Roane Aylett, in Newport News.

Miss Ellen Douglas Garnett, of Mathews  
county, is visiting Miss Jennie Hughes.

Miss Beulah Walsh is the guest of Mrs.  
K. B. Hopkins, in Newport News.

The Petersburg Cotton Club will give  
its third and last gormon of the season  
Friday evening, February 9th, at Liberty  
Hall. Kaufmann's Orchestra, of Rich-  
mond, will furnish the music.

Miss Anna Johnson, of this city, was the  
guest of the Driver Book Club, of Port-  
smouth, Tuesday, when it was entertained  
by Mrs. W. J. Lee.

#### Revival Services.

Rev. W. B. Riley, pastor of the First-Bap-  
tist church, of Minneapolis, Minn., will be in  
Richmond next Monday, February 12th, for  
a series of three weeks' revival serv-  
ices in the First Baptist Church. Arrangements  
are being made for the meeting, which will  
be a large local choir, led by  
Travis singer, who will sing a hymn, Rev. Mr.  
Riley in his visit to Richmond.

**Common Council To-night.**

A special meeting of the Common Council  
has been called by President Peters for 8  
o'clock to-night. The meeting is to consider  
the Mayor's veto of the tax ordinance recently  
passed by the Council.

There's a reason. Read the little book,  
"The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

## COW-GIRLS ON ACADEMY STAGE

Tenderfoot, Bright and Musical,  
Comes To-day for Three  
Engagements.

### HOITY TOITY NEXT WEEK

Musical Comedy Success for Nine  
Performances at Broad  
Street House.

W. P. Cullen's big production of the  
dashing Western operatic comedy, "The  
Tenderfoot," with its senoritas and cow-  
girls, cowboys and Texas rangers, and  
other picturesque characters, will be seen  
at the Academy to-night and to-morrow,  
matinee and night.

Oscar L. Figman and Ruth White are  
the stars of the performance, and they  
will be well remembered here on account  
of their splendid work in "The Burgo-  
master" two seasons ago, when the big  
revival of the piece was seen to such  
large business.

The music of "The Tenderfoot" is,  
after all, the thing which has made the  
piece so popular. It is of the whistling  
variety, and H. L. Heartz, the composer,  
has managed to catch the open-air spirit  
of the West in his compositions. The  
book is genuinely funny and interpreted  
by a capable company; the opera is one  
of the most pleasing of the so-called  
musical comedies. There is an atmos-  
phere in "The Tenderfoot," a touch  
of Texas, which gives abundant opportunity  
for elaborate costuming, and advantage  
has been taken of this.

#### A Comedy Novelty.

A novelty will be "Spangles," a satir-  
cal comedy, that comes to the Academy  
on Monday direct from its presentation  
at the Broad Street Theatre. "Spangles,"  
which plays an early engagement here,  
is from the pen of Charles Frederic Nord,  
linger, the critic, author and playwright,  
and is a sparkling comedy, witty, satir-  
ical and full of real comic spirit. Its pre-  
sentation at the Broad Street Theatre,  
Philadelphia, successfully for four weeks,  
shows its calibre and worth.

#### Earth's Own Sky Line.

The Wetterhorn reigns supreme over a  
scene of as impressive grandeur as this  
world knows. Shrouded in snowy soli-  
tudes, it stands out like a gigantic sol-  
dierly sentinel over the tiny kingdoms of  
men at its feet. True, it is surrounded  
by a magnificent panorama of peaks  
second only to the mighty monarch it-  
self. But they only enhance the majestic  
spirit of beauty which animates all na-  
ture in this world of lofty magnificence.  
It is a beauty that impresses at once by  
its severity, its diversity, its originality  
and its magnitude—a beauty that almost  
fatigues the imagination with its gran-  
deur. The scene is so supernatural, so  
imposing, so sublime, that a true concep-  
tion of it can be formed only by wit-  
nessing the superb, animated scenes of it  
at Lyman H. Howe's new Lifeorama, in  
the Academy next Tuesday night.

#### Buster Brown Again.

Master Gabriel will again tour the  
South this season, appearing in the  
Smith and Brown production, "Buster  
Brown." He will bring the same excel-  
lent cast and chorus as was seen during  
his visit early in the season, and it will  
mark his farewell appearance in this fa-  
mous character. Next season he is to  
star in "Little Jack Horner." "Buster  
Brown" is announced for next Wednesday,  
matinee and night, at the Academy.

#### Miss Edna Coming.

Miss Hazel Edna, the girl who made  
such a hit in New York at the Purdie  
Roof Garden last summer, will be seen  
here with Hoity Toity at the Bijou next  
week. Miss Edna has a wonderful voice,  
and secured a fine hit in New York with  
her singing. Although she is only 18  
years of age, she possesses a rich baro-  
ne voice and sings with ease and ap-  
parently without an effort. Her voice is  
strong, and where she has appeared the  
theatre-going people speak in the highest  
praises of her.

Mr. Howard Gale, advance agent of  
the Hoity Toity Company, which will  
play at the Bijou next week, is in the city  
at this moment.

Mr. Gale is a native of Alabama, is a  
distinct Southerner in his views and  
habits, and has made many friends while  
in the city.

#### SHORT PUMP NEWS

Mr. Lemuel Snead, of Stand Spring,  
Va., had as his guest on Monday night  
Mr. Harry Winfield Scott, of Catlett, Va.

Mr. Robert Henley was the guest of  
his sister, Mrs. G. M. Garth, of Broad  
street road, on Sunday.

Mr. H. E. Ferguson, of this locality,  
is quite sick.

Miss Agnes Bowles, of Erin Shades,  
Va., spent Thursday night with her aunt,  
Mrs. Lemuel Snead, of Stand Spring.

Miss Nannie Puryear, of Chickahominy,  
Va., recently visited friends in this  
vicinity.

Miss Minnie Frayer, principal of Deep  
Run School, is spending some time in  
Richmond visiting her mother, Mrs. M.  
E. Frayer.

Mr. Lemuel Michaels, of Ridge, visited  
friends near Deep Run very recently.

Mrs. Lemuel Snead was the guest of  
Mrs. M. Garth and Mrs. J. S. Lewis,  
of Broad street road, on Thursday after-  
noon.

Mr. W. J. Barr, who has been quite  
sick for some time past, is now able to  
be out again.

Miss Ellen Mills, of Centerville, who  
has been visiting friends in Richmond,  
has returned home.

Mrs. L. A. Snead spent Thursday with  
her sister, Mrs. C. A. Bowles, of Erin  
Shades.

Molt of Honor—Miss Minnie Frayer,  
principal—Sadie Bowles, 5 weeks; Vern  
Jackson, 1 week; Carrie Cottrell, 1 week;  
Jennie Barry, 4 weeks.

Primary—Miss B. C. Taunman—Ina  
Scott, 10 weeks; Helen Kuhn, 16 weeks;  
Hazel Jackson, 3 weeks; Emma Wade,  
10 weeks; Hulda Browning, 2 weeks;  
Stanley Browning, 2 weeks; Champion  
Bowles, 6 weeks; Clifton Browning, 2  
weeks.

#### HIGHLAND SPRINGS

There will be no service held in the  
local Unitarian church next Sunday.  
There will